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Quarantine on outgoing vessels at Honolulu for the week ended December 14, 1901.

HONOLULU, H. I., *December 16, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report the outgoing quarantine transactions at this port for the week ended December 14, 1901, as follows: Number of steam vessels inspected and passed, 4; sailing vessels inspected and passed, 3; cabin passengers inspected and passed, 85; steerage passengers inspected and passed, 29; steerage passengers rejected, 2; crew inspected and passed, 90; crew rejected, 2; pieces of baggage disinfected, 102; sailing vessels disinfected, 6; interisland steamers disinfected, 2; wharves disinfected, 2.

Respectfully,

L. E. COFER,
*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer, Hawaii.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ITALY.

Report from Naples—Smallpox continues.

NAPLES, ITALY, *December 16, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended December 14, 1901, the following ships were inspected:

December 9, the steamship *Fürst Bismarck*, of the Hamburg American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 326 steerage passengers and 73 pieces of large baggage; 583 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 11, the steamship *Liguria*, of the Italian Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,167 steerage passengers and 176 pieces of large baggage; 1,585 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 12, the steamship *Tartar Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 220 steerage passengers and 25 pieces of large baggage; 266 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 14, the steamship *Gallia*, of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 189 steerage passengers and 48 pieces of large baggage; 366 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

December 14, the steamship *Citta di Torino*, of the Veloce Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 603 steerage passengers and 150 pieces of large baggage; 742 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

INSPECTION AT PALERMO.

At Palermo for the week ended December 14, 1901, the following ship was inspected:

December 13, the steamship *Tartar Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 138 steerage passengers and 62 pieces of large and 134 pieces of small baggage; 5 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

SMALLPOX AT NAPLES.

During the week ended December 14, 1901, there were officially reported at Naples 16 cases of smallpox and 1 death.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *December 16, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the transactions at this station for the week ended December 14, 1901: There were inspected 6 ships with a total crew of 525, cabin passengers, 62, and steerage passengers, 394. For the steamship *America Maru*, sailing on December 10, for San Francisco, 288 steerage passengers were bathed and had their baggage disinfected. The health condition of the port remains good and no plague, smallpox, or cholera has been reported.

The Japan Times of Tokyo, for the 7th instant, reported that a rat containing plague germs had been caught at Kobe, but I have been unable to obtain any confirmation of this report. The same publication of the 6th instant, stated that the foot and mouth disease had been stamped out in Hyogo Ken.

Respectfully,

J. SPENCER HOUGH,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MEXICO.

Reports from Vera Cruz—Yellow fever continues.

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *December 22, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended December 21:

From yellow fever there were 10 cases and 9 deaths reported, and 46 deaths reported from all causes.

Last week there were 15 cases and 7 deaths from yellow fever, so the comparison shows an improvement in the situation. This diminution in the number of cases, I think, is due to the extreme cool weather that has been prevalent during the past ten days.

Article 64 of the Mexican quarantine regulations that provides for the disinfection of baggage from ports infected with yellow fever will no longer be enforced at this port, as fomites are not believed to be capable of conveying the disease.

Individual health certificates will no longer be necessary for passengers leaving this port for Cuban and United States ports. An individual examination of the passengers and crews of vessels will be made just before sailing and all necessary information will be entered in the bill of health of the vessel.

I have been invited by the Mexican quarantine authorities to accom-